

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:23:21 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 09:36:55 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9501250731.A4476-01000000@netcom7>
From: paul Veltman <veltman@netcom.com>
Subject: Re: 75S3B value?

There's an ad for a 75S3-B in the current Collins Collectors mag for \$475. It depends on how fast he wants to sell it as to where he should set his price.

On Tue, 24 Jan 1995, daniel wright wrote:

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>
> Greetings!
> I have a friend that wants a value for his Collins 75S3B receiver.
> The info he supplied me is:
>
> 75s3b in excellent condition.
> SSB and CW(500hz) filters.
> New (original,not a photocopy) manual.
> Recently aligned and checked by Bud Whitney in Texas.
>
> He didn't say what year the rig was made or whether it has a winged
> or round emblem....
> I'm not much of a Collins expert,so if I could get some ideas,I
> would be most appreciative!!
> Thanks es 73 de Dan -- WA0JRD ..
> djw@unlinfo.unl.edu
>

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 03:21:52 1995
Date: Tue, 24 Jan 1995 21:30:24 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950124222147.8156B-1000000@access1.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: Re: AM rigs into linear amps.

On Tue, 24 Jan 1995, paul Veltman wrote:

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> >
> > > I was going to drive my Henry 3K Classic (the one
> > > with the 8877 final) with an Icom IC-735 on AM.
> >
> > Don't tell, but I use my Icom IC-725 and SB-220 together on AM all the

> > time. Nobody has had any negative comments about anything yet, except
>
> ICOM!!!!????
> What the blazes is this, a commie plot??? ;-)
> Hang the blasphemmer in the town square at noon!!

OK, OK, OK!!! I'VE REFORMED!!! It's a leftover!! You notice that I
didn't say that it was the latest IC-99999-gizmo special satellite GPS
giga-memory radar-range. This one is 6 years old! (Wanna' buy a TS-50S?
- I'm gonna' put the Viking II and HQ-140-X in the car when the chain saw
comes back from the shop.)

73,

Tony
K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:28:58 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 09:45:15 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9501250749.A4476-01000000@netcom7>
From: paul Veltman <veltman@netcom.com>
Subject: Re: AM rigs into linear amps.

On Tue, 24 Jan 1995, Tony Stalls wrote:

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> comes back from the shop.)

ARRRRHH! ---> you caught me. I have to admit that I have a TS-50 mobile
myself. It did, however, replace a patriotic KWM-2A. But, you don't
need to take a saw to your car. A set of Multi-Elmac mobile rigs will do
just fine. :-)

73
Paul

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 14:24:29 1995

Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 11:55:27 -0600
Message-Id: <m0rXBvb-000CHnC@aupair.cs.athabascau.ca>
From: tech@cs.athabascau.ca (Richard Loken)
Subject: AM rigs into linear amps.

Bob K0KR says:

>Alas, I returned to sanity before I got very far
>with this project. With the new restrictions on AM
>power output in the ham bands, there is no longer
>any point to building a QRO AM beast. But, in principle,

Gee, you'll have to move North. I was reading the regs the other day and in Canada the AM limit is still 1000W DC. But I beleive that in Argentina it is 5KW PEP... just a rumour though, I've never been South of Tecata, Mexico.

At 5KW I could look at getting that used Continental that I've always wanted to restore. :) Seriously, CHAB had a single rack RCA sleeping in one of the tuning huts when I worked there in 1978, its time I ingratiated myself with whoever is chief engineer these days. They owe me!

Richard Loken VE6BSV, Systems Programmer - VMS : "...underneath those
Athabasca University : tuques we wear, our heads
Athabasca, Alberta Canada : are naked!"
** tech@cs.athabascau.ca ** : - Aurthor Black

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 17:41:15 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 14:58:49 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251558.aa20472@FSAC3.PICA.ARMY.MIL>
From: Clark Fishman (FSAC-FCD) <cfishman@fsac3.pica.army.mil>
Subject: BA

The R390.....the BA Walkman

WA2UNN

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 03:00:03 1995
Date: Tue, 24 Jan 1995 21:55:32 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950124223543.8156E-100000@access1.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: Re: BA Rating? Or ???

On Tue, 24 Jan 1995, Larry Keith wrote:

> In your message of 24 Jan 1995 at 1427 EST, you write:

> > My feeling is that a rating scheme is the wrong approach. Why don't we
> > try to make buyers smart instead of trying to make sellers honest?
> > Let's construct a buyer's checklist of questions to ask. Then the
>
> Exactly! This is what I needed for a QST article last June. But, I
> was over the space allocation anyway and it kind of dropped out of my
> mind.. Do you have a beginning set of questions?

Larry,

I disagree. There are too many occasional buyers that are getting stiffed because they don't know what questions to ask, nor will they know that there's a guideline list available anywhere. An honest seller should be up-front with the condition of whatever he is selling and not take advantage of the poor sucker who happens to not know what questions to ask. I'll bet you can't cover everything you should ask with a hundred question and besides, I don't want to blow \$10 on a phone call asking a kazillion questions when I could screen out what I'm NOT looking for by seeing a BA-(whatever) rating in the ad.

I can see it now. "You mean you expected TUBES to be in that thing? You should have asked about that!" The onus needs to be on the seller and items offered for sale should be represented honestly. Amateur radio is supposed to be a fraternity and buying and selling among brothers and sisters shouldn't be a guessing game with winners and losers.

73,

Tony
K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 14:23:43 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 12:02:41 -0600
Message-Id: <199501251802.MAA03982@theporch.theporch.com>
From: "MELUCAS, MARC P." <MELUCAS@wsmc-mis.af.mil>
Subject: BA Ratings Discussion

Hello Gang-

Now that the flood gates have been opened on the BA ratings subject, and with some mighty good points and comments, let's take this to the alternate list that Phil or Jack set up called baratings@theporch.com

If someone needs to know how to subscribe to the other list, contact me off-line and I will send the information. Glad to see this rolling again.

Marc, KB0JPQ
MELUCAS@wsmc-mis.af.mil

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:28:50 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:49:26 -0600
Message-Id: <CCMAIL.0093373.702946080095025FCCMAIL@EMIS.HAC.COM>
From: "James C Reid" <0093373@ccmail.emis.hac.com>
Subject: Beckman WWV recvr

There has been a Beckman 905R WWV receiver changing hands amongst the BA list. I think Larry Keith had it first, then Roy Morgan, and as I recall, Roy has passed it on to another member. I have one of these units and it works FB, but I would like to find a photocopy of the manual. Does the current owner(or anyone else) happen to have a manual they could copy? Thanks for looking.

-Jim 0093373@ccmail.emis.hac.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:08:37 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 15:36:28 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9501251314.D1556-01000000@mm1001.theporch.com>
From: Kevin J Pease <kevin@mm1001.theporch.com>
Subject: Collins 32v2 or 32v3 transmitter

Kevin J Pease wb0jzg
mm1001.theporch.com

Does any one have a Collins 32v2 or 32v3 thay are willing to sell ? Does not have to be working or in perfect condition. Would like it to have a good final tube.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 17:25:49 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 14:35:14 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125145127.26155A@access1.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: Defending of Surplus of Nebraska, et al

I wince a bit when guys put down "commercial" vendors, the guys that do a lot of buying, trading, swapping, etc, not unlike what some Boatanchorites do. You probably recall that back in the days before the FCC turned the 2

meter band into a CB drop line to Dominos Pizza, the Commission recognized that "hamfesting" is such an integral part of the hobby that swap nets were granted an exemption to the pecuniary interest prohibitions in the rules. Swapping is fun! That aside, I used to accumulate stuff and regularly have tables at hamfests, but I gave it up as not worth the effort, so I know first hand that nobody's going to get rich doing it.

In that same vein, the outfits like Tucker, Fair Radio, and Surplus of Nebraska get bashed for high prices, but there's good reason why they essentially have to. Not only do they want to make a decent living, they have to pay the rent, meet a payroll, and as a commercial business enterprise, comply with other responsibilities imposed by law. All that costs a lot and somebody has to pay the bill. It turns out that it's us in the form of higher prices.

As I see it, there are two ways of looking at it. The first is to consider that they're rip-off artists and one should never buy from them. The other is that if we support them, they'll buy at government auctions and other places and preserve the things that might otherwise be bought by scrap metal dealers. Biting the bullet and paying a little more for that special piece of gear (like my "new" condition GRC-9) they'll stay in the business, and add support to preserving BA's.

As an aside comment regarding scrap dealers, back when I was looking for a good R390A, I spoke to a hamfest parts vendor looking for leads. He told me that he had recently bid on a quantity of them with the sole intent of stripping out the filters and scrapping the rest. His attitude was that anything associated with vacuum tube technology is obsolete junk and the market isn't big enough to make doing anything with it worthwhile. He thinks we are nuts for wanting these things. Fortunately for us, he didn't get them.

73,

Tony
K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 23:49:06 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 21:30:03 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.07.9501252201.A11818-b100000@govonca>
From: Brien Pepperdine <pepperb@gov.on.ca>
Subject: Docs for DX-60 etc.

Hello, all.

Thanks for all the responses to my query re. the DX-60. Everything was weighed, and given the neg versus positive reactions, I decided to take

advantage of compromises the seller was willing to make on price when I took a BA receiver as well, so I took the DX-60 off his hands (given that it seemed that if I did not use it, he was going to gut it in order to use the cabinet for something else - maybe I rescued it from the BA slaughterhouse).

Anyhow, as per the norm for these type of things, he had no manual for operation, construction or schematic (he just tuned for maximum smoke). Would anyone be willing to photocopy the relevant documents they might have on hand and mail them to me in exchange for fair compensation (goodness knows I've sent off my share of HW-8 doc. copies and such).

Also, I don't know if or how much the docs. will be needed, hope not, but I took a National NC-125 receiver as well, so any docs. or schematics on that would be useful to me some time maybe if I have to 'get inside the beast'>

tnx - hope not too many BAites are chuckling at my screen modulated low-power txmtr, but it's something to play with and pass on to someone else later on to play with when I eventually latch onto a Viking or DX-100 etc.

Brien
VE3VAW
Toronto

pepperb@gov.on.ca

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 10:24:08 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 07:24:48 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251323.AA12401@mtn.er.usgs.gov>
From: junger@mtn.er.usgs.gov (John Unger)
Subject: Drake Amplifiers

I have been looking for a Drake L4-B amplifier, but have not run across one that fits my price/condition criteria yet. Someone has mentioned to me that they thought that Drake made an "L7" amplifier. Does anyone have any information on this amp's existence and/or specs? Also, I'm still looking for that L4-B, so if you have one taking up valuable BA space, let me know.

tnx es 73 - John, W3G0I

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:41:00 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:32:17 -0600
Message-Id: <CCMAIL.0093373.873328080095025FCCMAIL@EMIS.HAC.COM>

From: "James C Reid" <0093373@ccmail.emis.hac.com>
Subject: Drake setup

Hi Gang,

I'm in the process of negotiating a deal on a Drake T-4X and R-4A. What all needs to be included with the system to make it play correctly? There wasn't any mention of an AC-4, but I believe that's required for the transmitter, right? There is an MS-4 speaker for the receiver. Are there supposed to be some interconnecting cables between the trans and the recv? If they're missing, can they be made up easily? Any advice would be appreciated. Thanks so much!

-Jim N6SVS

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:41:41 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 13:33:55 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251922.AA08213@ausable.crd.Ge.Com>
From: mallick@ausable.crd.ge.com (John Mallick)
Subject: Re: Drake setup

Jim,

The T4X needs the AC-4 power supply. The AC-4 fits inside the box of the MS-4 speaker. You don't really need the MS-4, but it does make for a nice cosmetic match; any 4-16 ohm speaker will work. The connecting cables are all RCA phono to RCA phono plugs if I recall; the injection and PTO cables are constructed of a special low capacitance cable and are so marked. Call Drake to get more info if you have to make up your own. The others can be patch cords you can buy at Radio Shack.

73, John WA1HNL

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 17:55:49 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 15:07:14 -0600
Message-Id: <9501252106.AA08821@hplst.lvld.hp.com>
From: Scott Turner <scott@hplst.lvld.hp.com>
Subject: Re: Drake setup

John replies to the initial message and I thought I'd add a few words of clarification:

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> the MS-4 speaker. You don't really need the MS-4, but it does make
> for a nice cosmetic match; any 4-16 ohm speaker will work.

Correct as far as it goes. However, early T4X's actually shipped with an earlier version power supply, the AC-3. Electrically there don't seem to be many differences, but the AC-4 comes in a complete case, while the AC-3 is simply a chassis with transformer and caps exposed. Both are made for mounting in the MS-4 cabinet. Either will work just fine with a T4X. The DC-4, designed for 12volt operation with the TR4, would probably work as well if you don't mind also providing a very solid 12V supply :-)

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> connecting cables are all RCA phono to RCA phono plugs if I recall;
> the injection and PTO cables are constructed of a special low
> capacitance cable and are so marked.

Again correct, but beware. The injection cable is also fitted with RCA plugs on both ends and is generally indistinguishable from the other connectors *except* for a tag that was attached to the cable. In many cases that tag may have disappeared. On my early R4-T4X, you'd be hard pressed to tell the difference between the injection cable and the others if the tag had fallen off.

Call Drake to get more info if
> you have to make up your own. The others can be patch cords you can
> buy at Radio Shack.

Agreed completely. I've replaced most of my fraying cables with RS specials, and Drake *still* does a fine job of supporting their older equipment. BTW, in terms of resale value, a set of Drake twins sans MS-4 is probably worth a fair bit less.

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Regards,

Scott Turner KG0MR scott@hpisla.LVLD.HP.COM

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:34:53 1995

Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 16:08:59 -0600

Message-Id: <9501252204.AA14433@cen.com>

From: gc@fox.gsfc.nasa.gov (Gary Chatters)

Subject: Re: Drake setup

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>cases that tag may have disappeared. On my early R4-T4X, you'd be hard
>pressed to tell the difference between the injection cable and the
>others if the tag had fallen off.

What would make a good substitute? Are any specifics known about this
cable? Should one try to get a piece of RG-62/U for homemade cables
or would RG-59/U be adequate, (even RG-58) ?

73,

Gary

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:36:57 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 16:12:00 -0600
Message-Id: <9501252158.AA12525@ausable.crd.Ge.Com>
From: mallick@ausable.crd.ge.com (John Mallick)
Subject: Re: Drake setup

Scott brings up some good points. I had forgotten about the AC-3
supplies (wasn't there also a DC-3?).

The injection and PTO cables on my C-line have a little metal band
around one end. I was always curious as to what sort of cable Drake
used in constructing them. The texture I seem to see below the cable
jacket suggests some form of RF coax as opposed to the usual audio
shielded cable construction. Anybody know?

73, John WA1HNL

PS...anybody have an MS-4 to sell to go with my old R4???

From boatanchors@theporch.com Thu Jan 26 02:03:51 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 23:31:14 -0600
Message-Id: <950126002224_7096302@aol.com>
From: WJoew@aol.com
Subject: electronic organ BA

I have all 12 (full chromatic scale) octave tone generator PC boards for a
Scober electronic organ. Number on each board is 1111-A. Note is marked on
each board. Each board requires a few 12AT7's.
I would gladly send these to the first person willing to pay shipping cost
(est. \$15 or so) plus \$15.

Joe

wjoew@aol.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Thu Jan 26 00:59:10 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 22:37:52 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125232927.18685B-100000@access4.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: Faux Pas: R390A Help Please!

On 25 Jan 1995 Tony Stalls rstalls@access.digex.net

>
> How about a \$1.67 remedy?
>
> I just got a little Radio Shack 1000 ohm ct to 8 ohm audio transformer and
> used half the input winding (500 ohms) to a 6" 8 ohm speaker to match the
> 600 ohm output of the R390A. It made a dramatic difference in the audio.

Fellow Boatanchorites!!!

I'm happy to report that the gang is out there and WIDE AWAKE (unlike
you-know-who.)

OK... Take 2:

I just got a little Radio Shack 1000 ohm ct to 8 ohm audio transformer and
used half the input winding (*250* ohms) to a 6" 8 ohm speaker to <BETTER>
match the 600 ohm output of the R390A. It made a dramatic difference in
the audio.

Thanks for the wakeup call! <Yawn...>

73,

Tony
K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:05:36 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 15:25:14 -0600
Message-Id: <70469.morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov>
From: "Roy Morgan" <morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov>
Subject: FOR SALE: TV-7D, Parts hulks: HQ-150, HQ-140

Have for sale:

TV-7D Condx unknown, no manual, but has cover and looks reasonably

complete (no adapters!)

HQ-150 Chassis in cabinet, tuned circuits,
Front panel with knobs and meter - all NICE.
No sockets, resistors, etc., transformer.

HQ-140 Same as above but cabinet and front has been spray painted.
Some knobs missing

Wanted: BC-348, (OK if missing shock mount and cabinet)

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Roy --

Roy Morgan / Tech A-266 / NIST / Gaithersburg MD 20899
(National Institute of Standards and Technology, formerly NBS)
301-975-3254 Fax: 301-948-6213 Internet: morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:46:35 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 16:18:38 -0600
Message-Id: <01HM9PXEW02CMKLR8@tntech.edu>
From: cfm5723@tntech.edu (Conard Murray)
Subject: Free filter caps

Greetings all!

If you have access to a photofinisher, have them save the throwaway cameras with the built-in flash for you. They have great 180uF @ 330V electrolytics in them. I have used several of these as filter caps and they work great. Kodak pays photofinishers something like 25 or 50 cents for the cameras, so you might have to fork over that much anyway.

Heres hoping your emission never drops!
73 de Conard WS4S

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 23:38:26 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 20:13:02 -0600
Message-Id: <9501260211.AA25042@kali>
From: Andy Wallace <wallace@mc.com>
Subject: I-106-A field strength meter semi-ba

Does anyone know how old the I-106-A field strength meter is? It's a Navy box, (whoops, it's a Navy stamp on the bottom but the plate says U. S.

Army) about 8x7x4" in black wrinkle with sloping front and back edges, a tuning range of 99-160 Mc/s, a 0-200 uA meter, and a built-in sturdy whip which tilts and extends from the back. MFG is Western Electric. Given the finish I would guess WWII or before.

I'm just curious as to the history of this thing...got it at a flea market many years ago and I used to watch my father's 2M set kick the meter....

--Andy

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 14:03:55 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 11:18:28 -0600
Message-Id: <v01510101ab4b981e1d6d@[198.65.148.107]>
From: sfarmer@tulsa.com (Steven L. Farmer)
Subject: Re: Just in case you're wondering...

[snip...]

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>Gues what? I don't *NEED* permission any more. Know why? I
>unsubscribed the offender, and he will stay unsubscribed until he can
>fix his end and keep it fixed.

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Gosh Jack, I'm confused, so help me out here... Those of us who can actually read your posting are almost certainly not bouncing boatanchors mail, while those unfortunates whos mail is being bounced are almost certainly *not* able to read it. So what's the point? Just blowing off steam?

The first threat was enough: we got the message.

73 de WA5RPF

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 20:12:45 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 17:40:16 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.05.9501251302.B2715-b1000000@booz.bah.com>
From: k1zat@bah.com
Subject: Re: Just in case you're wondering...

<<snip snip>>

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> those unfortunates whos mail is being bounced are almost certainly *not*

>From what I've heard, yesterday and the night before was a bad day in Internet land. Several providers of DNS services lost their machines for various reasons. Bounced mail (unknown host, etc) everywhere.

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Dont be too harsh on Jack. A systems administrators life is a sorry one. The only advantage he/she has over emergency room doctors is that malpractice suits are rare. On the other, ER doctors never have to deal with patients installing new versions of their own innwards..

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! JD DELANCY - K1ZAT/3 | Lizzie Borden took an axe !
! ONI-7JN, 4251 Suitland Road | And plunged it deep in to the VAX !
! Wash DC 20395 | !
! | Dont you just hate people who !
! k1zat@bah.com | do all the things YOU wanted to do? !
! {301} 669-5236 [DSN: 294) | !
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Thu Jan 26 02:03:04 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 23:40:51 -0600
Message-Id: <9501252322.aa12755@jackatak.theporch.com>
From: Fire Bottle archive handler <firebotl@jackatak.theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Just in case you're wondering...

Gang-

I'd really like to let this die, but it doesn't seem to want to... for the few unresolved ones... here's a nother quick swing:

"Steven L. Farmer" <sfarmer@tulsa.com> asks:
> Gosh Jack, I'm confused, so help me out here... Those of us who can actually
> read your posting are almost certainly not bouncing boatanchors mail
 AAAAAAAAA AAA AAAAAAAAAA

Oh, how little you know. DAILY I get lists of sites who refuse connections, are not connected, or otherwise cause problems, usually with a brain-dead mailer set up by a brain-challenged sys admin. Of the 34 subscribers I reset last night, just for example, I doubt any of them had a clue that their system had been problem enough to cause their subscription to be "put on hold" BUT the list processor logs these problems to a database, and after a threshold has been crossed,

list proc automatically postpones the subscription.

Regularly, I see a new subscriber sign up, and then all the mail from boatanchors get refused by his system because "you are not authorized to send mail to xxx"

Now, in your wisdom, just how am I to notify this person of the problem? Do you not agree that by blocking even mail that might explain what is going on, the mailer is brain-dead and stupidly implemented? Should I have to wade through two error messages for EACH post because of this problem? (One from the list processor and one from the site) I can not can the list processor messages, or else I might not detect a problem on our end (like last night)... and I have NO control over the brain-dead mailer (BDM)...

> So what's the point? Just blowing off steam?

Nice try. The point is/was to advise those who could read that each of you is responsible for making sure your system and your mailer is OK... that I can not and will not baby-sit everyone else's system. YOU are responsible for making your end work properly. If you pay for the service, remember: "money talks, BS walks..." ;^)

Blowing off steam would be when I say to hell with those people who can't manage their sites and leave them postponed or unsubscribed.

> The first threat was enough: we got the message.

Really? ;^) From your post, I don't think so....

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73

Jack, W4PPT/M (75M SSB 2-letter WAS #1657/#1789 -- both from the mobile! ;^)

Fire Bottle Server (Boat Anchors Get Out and Keep You Warm!)

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:24:31 1995

Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:32:59 -0600

Message-Id: <9501251628.AA03647@uvs1.orl.mmc.com>

From: padgett@tccslr.dnet.mmc.com (A. Padgett Peterson, P.E. Information Security)

Subject: Last ratings question

Just to clear my mind - didn't I post a 1-6 ratings system here about 2 weeks ago ? Thought I did but now cannot find a copy in my mail archive though might have deleted it.

Warmly,

Padgett

Totally Obsessed and expanding: any 6G004Ys or L-507s out there ?

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:41:13 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:58:28 -0600
Message-Id: <199501251657.JAA06616@atd.atd.ucar.EDU>
From: owens@stout.atd.ucar.edu (Chip Owens)
Subject: NAVY Boatanchor FOR SALE

Here is a real honest-to-goodness boatanchor, NAVY STYLE, for sale:

COLLINS TCS-12

Transmitter, receiver, mating power connectors, and schematics.
Original condition, unmodified. Cabinets need re-painting but otherwise
in pretty fair condition. These were built by Collins Radio and have
matching serial numbers. Both units work very well and have seen use
on-the-air over the last several weeks. \$200 plus shipping.

James Owens, NW00
owens@stout.atd.ucar.edu

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:05:55 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 09:19:07 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251512.AA03266@uvs1.orl.mmc.com>
From: padgett@tccslr.dnet.mmc.com (A. Padgett Peterson, P.E. Information Security)
Subject: Need some SAMs

Would like to obtain copies of the following SAMs photofacts for old
Zeniths. Know they are available from the source but am not prepared to
pay more for them than for a radio. Please reply to padgett@goat.orl.mmc.com
or call 407.352.6007 eve EST

7-33, 20-35, 53-27, 83-16, 152-12, 229-18, 381-16, 420-14, 451-20.

Warmly, Padgett

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:16:35 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 08:24:58 -0600
Message-Id: <199501251423.JAA06894@latte.eng.umd.edu>
From: Philip Gwynne McCoy <dgnova@glue.umd.edu>
Subject: OPUS 7

To Steve Share
Subject OPUS 7

I have the Sams manual on the OPUS 6. I can answer questions or
send you the manual. I am new to internet, so I don't know
if I can contact you an compuserve.com. My email address
is dgnova@eng.umd.edu

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 08:36:34 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 06:15:13 -0600
Message-Id: <31639@w5ddl.aara.org>
From: n5off@w5ddl.aara.org
Subject: R-390 Ballast Tube Eliminator

I just did this to mine, and it worked fine.

Short the filament pins on the ballast tube and reinstall in.

Then, remove the 6BA6 tubes in the BFO (V505) and the PT0, and replace them with 12BA6's. By shorting the ballast tube, you will send 25V or so to the other tubes wired in series. The 12V filaments in the 12BA6 tubes will eat the difference.

This mod works great.

Now, let the flames begin while I listen to the news on the 390A.

: -)

Tom

From boatanchors@theporch.com Thu Jan 26 00:56:22 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 22:07:14 -0600
Message-Id: <32268@w5ddl.aara.org>
From: n5off@w5ddl.aara.org
Subject: R-390A users survey results

Shown below are the results to date of the BA/packet survey of R-390A users. The object of the game is to identify the contracts and numbers built.

We still need contributions from rigs made by, Dittmore-Freimuth, Clavier, and Rubenstein, and .

Contributors have indicated several interesting features in some of the rigs. One was modified by the military to receive only CHU time station and nothing else. Another has the frequency shield to prevent prying eyes.

Keep the contributions coming.

73 de tom N5OFF

-----Results of BA/
Packet R-390A Survey.

Additions to:
n5off@w5ddl.aara.org@us1.edu

n5off@k5arh.la.usa

1/25/95

Maker	Con Yr	Contract	S.N.
Collins	1951	14214-PH-51	7
Collins	1951	14214-PH-51	372
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	466
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	502
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	507
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	1755
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	2035
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	removed
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	642
Collins	1955	8719-PH-55	868
Collins	1955	8719-PH-55	1093
Collins	1955	8719-PH-55	2220
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3001
Collins	1955	8719-PH-55	3384
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3402
Collins	1955	???9-P-55	3471
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3556
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3629
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3705
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3796
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	3902
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	4125
Motorola	1956	0014-PH-56	431
Motorola	1956	0014-PH-56	568
Motorola	1956	0014-PH-56	1944
Motorola	1956	0014-PH-56	3122
Motorola	1958	14385-PC-58	311
Stewart-Warner	1959	42428-PC-59	1079
Stewart-Warner	1959	42428-PC-59	1408
Electronic Assistance Corp	1960	23137-PC-60	206
Electronic Assistance Corp	1960	23137-PC-60	941
Stewart-Warner	1960	20139-PC-60	2772
Stewart-Warner	1960	20139-PC-60	removed
Capehart	1961	21582-PC-61	1152
Capehart	1961	21582-PC-61	1351
Capehart	1961	21582-PC-61	1963
Amelco	1962	35064-PC-62	75
Amelco	1962	35064-PC-62	1711
Teledyne Systems Corp	1962	35064-PC-62	2801
Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	31
Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	41
Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	1250
Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	1591

Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	2220
Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	3011
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	FR-36-039-N-6-00189(E)	83
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	DAAB05-67-C-0155	388
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	FR-36-039-N-6-00189(E)	1053
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	DAAB05-67-C-0155	1212
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	DAAB05-67-C-0155	2865
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	FR-36-039-N-6-00189(E)	4781
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	DAAB05-67-D-0155	5454
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	FR-36-039-N-6-00189(E)	5876
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	FR-36-039-N-6-00189(E)	6140
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	DAAB05-67-C-0155	2243-1
Electronic Assistance Corp	UNKN	None (commercial?)	115

Listed by yr, order, and highest s.

Collins	1951	14214-PH-51	372
Motorola	1954	363-PH-54	2035
Collins	1955	8719-P-55	0"\$4125
Motorola	1956	0014-PH-56	3122
Motorola	1958	14385-PC-58	311
Stewart-Warner	1959	42428-PC-59	1408
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Imperial Electronics	1963	37856-PC-63	3011
Electronic Assistance Corp	1967	FR-36-039-N-6-00189(E)	6140

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:32:24 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 16:11:24 -0600
Message-Id: <01HM9POZYB02CMK93K@tntech.edu>
From: cfm5723@tntech.edu (Conard Murray)
Subject: R390A Help Please!

Hello All!

I have a strange problem with my R390A and was wondering if anyone on BA had any hints.

When I am tuned to a strong signal such as the AM BC band, my RX has a nasty hum like a bad filter cap in the power supply. On normal signals it isn't a problem....you probably wouldn't notice it unless you were told to look for it....in other words, the stronger the signal, the worse the hum. It follows the AGC voltage.

Speaking of AGC, does anyone have the circuit for an outboard gizmo for making SSB sound decent on the 390? I remember seeing them in the past, but the module was potted.

Thanks for reading and 73,
de Conard WS4S

R&D Engineer Tennessee Tech University

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 19:43:55 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 17:10:38 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125180757.13926F-100000@access4.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: Re: R390A Help Please!

On Wed, 25 Jan 1995, Conard Murray wrote:

> Speaking of AGC, does anyone have the circuit for an outboard gizmo for
> making SSB sound decent on the 390? I remember seeing them in the past, but
> the module was potted.

How about a \$1.67 remedy?

I just got a little Radio Shack 1000 ohm ct to 8 ohm audio transformer and
used half the input winding (500 ohms) to a 6" 8 ohm speaker to match the
600 ohm output of the R390A. It made a dramatic difference in the audio.

73,

Tony
K4KY0

TTU '63 (64)

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:53:22 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 13:59:51 -0600
Message-Id: <9501252003.AA01939@jsun.agen.okstate.edu>
From: vmike@agen.okstate.edu (Mike Veldman)
Subject: re-subscribe

subscribe

I haven't seen any messages in several days, am I still hooked up?

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:15:44 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 09:18:38 -0600
Message-Id: <m0rX9TZ-000uHUC@twisto.eng.hou.compaq.com>
From: David=Douglas%Sys=Mgmt%Sys=Hou@bangate.compaq.com
Subject: re:Re: Vanity

Does anyone know when all of this is to take effect, or when "Gate Two" is going to become available?

Tnx,
David / KA5MSL

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:41:07 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:51:38 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125114736.24647D-100000@access3.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: re:Re: Vanity

On Wed, 25 Jan 1995 David=Douglas%Sys=Mgmt%Sys=Hou@bangate.compaq.com wrote:

>
> Does anyone know when all of this is to take effect, or when "Gate Two" is
> going to become available?

I'll run by the Commission tomorrow afternoon and try and pick up a copy of the Reoprt and Order. I didn't see, the press release, but from the way it was described to me, it's likely to be a first-come first-served free for all. Don't take that as gospel though. Wait until I get the R&O and I'll report back.

73,

Tony
K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 21:48:44 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 19:08:50 -0600
Message-Id: <9500257910.AA791089783@rdcclink.rd.qms.com>
From: fmittchell@rdcclink.rd.qms.com
Subject: rene n4let now on the net...

i know many of you know rene, n4let (ex k4edx), who runs a shore station here in south alabama ... he is not quite up to wlo status yet, but he is working on it...

anyway, please drop rene a line and welcome him to the

internet... he just got a shell account at the mobile
freenet... his address is

rstieglr@ns1.maf.mobile.al.us

note that the 1 in the ns is the number "one", not a
lower case letter L...

rene is a cracker jack cw op who cut his teeth at wlo
as a teenager many years ago... he still hangs out
around 7040...

mitch
wa4osr

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:44:16 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 12:41:08 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125133207.29620C-1000000@access3.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: RME-DB-22A Value

When your friends know you're a Boatanchorite, you get asked...

Anyway, I have a friend who has an RME DB-22A preselector with an
interesting history. It was bought new by a ham who became an SK very
shortly afterward. He bought it from the estate sale and put it away and
apparently having forgotten all about it, apparently just rediscovers it
in storage. This is NIB, never used, still with the warranty registration
card enclosed. Would anybody care to venture a guess as to what kind of
price this will bring on the BA market?

Thanks & 73,

Tony
K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 17:13:37 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 14:23:57 -0600
Message-Id: <m0rXEGD-0000JGC@juts.ccc.amdahl.com>
From: joe.selkregg@amail.amdahl.com
Subject: SLR-M, RCH

Hi,

I have a Scott SLR-M receiver that would be real nice if it didn't have a meter where the eye tube should be. As a result, it also has had the front panel cut. Does anyone have a parts set with an unmodified front panel that they could sell me?

Also, I have two Scott RCH receivers and would like to trade one for (or toward) a Scott RBO, or sell for around \$75.00. On a scale of 1 to 10, it is about a 6. The front panel was originally gray and it has been redone and looks nice. It has been partially recapped, aligned and works well. The "1-2-mix" front panel switch has been replaced with a non-ceramic one but other than that there are no mods. Also, it has it's original cabinet (which needs paint).

I live in northern California.

Thanks, Joe S.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:34:56 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:13:18 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251614.AA02655@loki.hi.com>
From: steve@hi.com (Steve Byan)
Subject: Re: Sources for 3TF7 Ballast Tubes (was: Collins 390 series mod)

>Surplus Sales of Nebraska has 3TF7's listed in their latest catalogue for
>only <GASP!!!!> \$45.

Fair Radio lists new ones for \$17.50. They might ship overseas.
Phone: (419) 227-6573
Fax: (419) 227-1313

Regards,
-Steve

Steve Byan
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1601 Trapelo Road
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:25:43 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:35:16 -0600
Message-Id: <199501251633.KAA28171@theporch.theporch.com>
From: Jack Taylor <n7oo@huachuca-emh8.army.mil>
Subject: Tek 454 scope -> DX-100B or?

The Tektronix 454 is a dual trace scope rated to 150 MHz. I'd like to swap for a clean DX-100B or Viking Valiant.
73 de Jack

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 04:23:03 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 00:11:56 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.ULT.3.91.950124220932.11140A-1000000@ohm.elee.calpoly.edu>
From: Cal Eustaquio <ceustaqu@ohm.elee.calpoly.edu>
Subject: The Potter and Bromfield LM-11

Hey:

Does anyone know of a sources for the LM-11 relay (most notably found in the Ranger PTT mod)? I am looking for them as OEM replacements on PTT-less Rangers that I have. I appreciate your help on these matters and so will my "babies." 73's. Cal, N6KYR.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 21:44:39 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 19:12:19 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125200154.10118B-1000000@little-miami.iac.net>
From: Bill Strangfeld <bstrang@iac.net>
Subject: tube tester, QSTs

These are for sale for the widow of a SK. Please contact me if you want more information.

1. "U-Test-M" drugstore tube tester. Floor standing model with tube storage space below the tester unit. Fairly recent manufacture -- has sockets for testing nuvistors. \$25.

2. QST, 1952 through about 1991. Good shape. Has the ads, product reviews and modification info for most of the classic BA gear. \$175.

Needless to say, these are heavy, large, or both, and shipping will be a problem. I am in Cincinnati and can take them to Dayton in April if desired.

Bill Strangfeld, WB8YUW, 513-948-1071 <bstrang@iac.net>

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 05:30:24 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 03:08:17 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9501250326.B8650-01000000@indy1>
From: "Roberta J. Barmore" <rbarmore@indynet.indy.net>
Subject: Re: Vanity

Hi!

On Tue, 24 Jan 1995, Tony Stalls wrote:
> With apologies for an off-topic post, the vanity call sign rule amendment
> was announced by the FCC today (1/24/95). Here's your chance to buy a
> facade of experience in the hobby (he said cynically).

Is it **totally** off-topic? For some of us >blush<, it's a chance to go back and get the call we would have had if we had not let our original licenses lapse without upgrading/renewing!

...'Sides, boatanchordom sounds so much better with a 1x2 or 1x3 call... :) And none of these latter-day, ex-Tibetan things, either!

73,
--Bobbi

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:05:58 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 12:35:40 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.05.9501251333.A2519-a1000000@booz.bah.com>
From: k1zat@bah.com
Subject: Re: Vanity

> With apologies for an off-topic post, the vanity call sign rule amendment
> was announced by the FCC today (1/24/95). Here's your chance to buy a

I got the text of the FCC News release if any one cares. Drop a line, I mail it directly instead of putting on the BA list and disturbing Jack <grin Jack>).

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More like Master Charge callsigns, just as easy as plastic to get..

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 18:08:22 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 15:27:35 -0600
Message-Id: <9501252152.AA100410@csemail.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
From: rdkeys@csemail

Subject: Re: Vanity

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> > call... :) And none of these latter-day, ex-Tibetan things, either!
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On sayings, etc., from the callsign fracas about to begin.....

..... methinks one will build a better remembrance in the long run if one sticks with a call and/or moniker and makes sure said call exhibits only the finest of the hamradio operator's credo, on or off the air.....

What the fella shows in practice, on the air, and elsewhere, is probably a better indicator of said fella's ``class'', than how new and shiny or un-Tibetan-like his call is.....

A call, 1x2, 1x3 or whatever, in conjunction with how the op runs with that call, is a better indicator of the quality of said op than just the call alone, no matter how prestigious it may be.....

Remember, a young squirt on the block with a 2x3 call, may well have been at sea with Signore Marconi in the olden days, or have been Bill Halligan's right-hand-man, as easily as he be a no-code tech who just got his + and is cracking a hole in the ether for the very first time. The call is not an indicator of his past history and experiences or his operating skill, necessarily.....

In my humble experiences, one can't buy a good op, one earns the respect of being a good op. The callsign is only a namplate that shows who the op is. His run on the rig shows what he is.....

...enuf said, as TOM was once known to say in one of his Epistles to the Young Squirt, back in the days of rotary gaps, low-loss couplers, etc.....

73/Bob/NA4G

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 20:15:40 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 17:42:11 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.05.9501251837.B9848-c100000@booz.bah.com>
From: k1zat@bah.com
Subject: Re: Vanity

Ok, ok. When I got home I had at least 30 requests for a copy of the FCC News Release. Forgive me Jack, but BA list here it is.

jd

FCC NEWS

Report No. DC95-19 ACTION IN DOCKET CASE January 24, 1995

COMMISSION AMENDS AMATEUR SERVICE RULES TO IMPLEMENT
A VANITY CALL SIGN SYSTEM
(PR DOCKET NO. 93-305)

In recognition of the strong sense of identity among amateur operators that is grounded in the call signs of their stations, the Commission has decided to offer a vanity call sign system to the amateur service community. The Commission will also resume issuing new club and military recreation station licenses. The Commission said these actions are fundamental to its commitment to putting the needs of people first in providing the services that they want.

Each new amateur station licensed by the FCC is assigned a unique call sign. An automated process selects the call sign in accordance with the sequential call sign system. Until recently, the Commission was unable to accommodate the many thousands of requests for call signs of the licensee's choice. The Commission stated that one of its many steps in reinventing Government is to implement new licensing processing capabilities that make it practicable to grant such requests.

The Commission will implement the new system by using a series of four "starting gates." Gate One would allow a previous holder of a call sign to apply for that call sign or, where the holder is deceased, a close relative could apply. Gate Two would allow the 66,000 Amateur Extra Class operators, who have passed the most difficult license examinations, to apply. Gate Three would allow the 112,000 Advanced Class operators, who have passed the second most difficult license examinations, to apply; and Gate Four would open the system to any licensee, including a club station license trustee applying for the call sign of a deceased former holder. The Commission will announce the opening of each gate by a Public Notice. The first gate will open as soon as the new application form, FCC Form 610-V, is available and the Commission's licensing facility is prepared to begin processing the applications.

With respect to new club station licenses, the Commission stated that persons not already holding a club station license must first apply for and receive a license before filing an application with the fee collection

contractor requesting that the license be modified to show a vanity call sign. However, the Commission will begin accepting applications for new club and military recreation station licenses on the date the Report and Order in this proceeding becomes effective.

Action by the Commission December 23, 1994, by Report and Order (FCC 94-343). Chairman Hundt, Commissioners, Quello, Barrett, Ness, and Chong.

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News Media contact: Patricia A. Chew at (202) 418-0500.
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau contact: Maurice J. Depont at (202) 418-0690.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 22:29:08 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 20:09:20 -0600
Message-Id: <9501260213.AA21680@bobcat.etsu.edu>
From: wier@bobcat.etsu.edu (Bob Wier)
Subject: Re: Vanity

At 12:35 PM 1/25/95 -0600, k1zat@bah.com wrote:
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|> was announced by the FCC today (1/24/95). Here's your chance to buy a
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|> call... :) And none of these latter-day, ex-Tibetan things, either!
|
|More like Master Charge callsigns, just as easy as plastic to get..

Hi Jack - I'd like a copy...

THANKS & 73s de WB5KXH

-- Round Up the Usual Disclaimers! --
Bob Wier, CS Dept., East Texas State University
wier@bobcat.etsu.edu - keeper of the

Motorola MC68HC11, Photo-3D, SD3D,
Icom Radio and Overland Trails mailing lists

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 23:11:47 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 20:12:33 -0600
Message-Id: <9501260214.AA21688@bobcat.etsu.edu>
From: wier@bobcat.etsu.edu (Bob Wier)
Subject: Re: Vanity

Oops - I just sent a message meant for Jack to the list - thousands of
apologies!

73 de WB5KXH

-- Round Up the Usual Disclaimers! --
Bob Wier, CS Dept., East Texas State University
wier@bobcat.etsu.edu - keeper of the
Motorola MC68HC11, Photo-3D, SD3D,
Icom Radio and Overland Trails mailing lists

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 10:37:11 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 07:13:25 -0600
Message-Id: <m0rX7Hx-000043C@next3.acme.ist.ucf.edu>
From: clarke@acme.ist.ucf.edu (Thomas Clarke)
Subject: VHF/UHF Anchors

Thermionites,

I took the plunge and passed my Tech test last night so in a couple
of weeks I will get my call etc. Until I can get past the code with
the help of my personal computer - a much better study aid than the
paper tape code machine I bounced off of oh so long ago - I will be
limited to 6 meters and up.

Does anyone have a FAQ or other wisdom about VHF/UHF boatanchors?
The Central Florida Amateur Radio and Computer Fair is coming up in
three weeks, so I need some advice about what to look for.

Thanks.

Tom Clarke

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:05:41 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 08:24:19 -0600

Message-Id: <9501251422.AA03459@cen.com>
From: gc@fox.gsfc.nasa.gov (Gary Chatters)
Subject: Re: VHF/UHF Anchors

Tom asks:

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I'll try to give a quick summary. VHF activity is local, so you should try to find out what kind of activity is common in your area.

FM - 2meter FM is everywhere. But it is actually difficult to find the old all tube equipment. When you do it may be free. Some of it may have difficulty in todays crowded 2m band. Check on 6m activity. An old rig may do fine on 52.525.

AM - Old AM rigs show up frequently at hamfests around here. Gonset and Clegg are common. Both 2m and 6m rigs show up. Activity is spotty around the country. Some areas have AM activity on 50.4Mc.

SSB - Again, check local activity levels to decide whether you want to get on 6 or 2. There are several equipment options. Drake, Swan and Heath made hollow-state transceivers for 6m. A common approach was to use HF equipment and add on a transverter. Collins and Hallicrafters (and others??) made hollow-state transvertors. With the transverter you can get on VHF and have the HF equipment for when you upgrade. You could also compromise a bit and get some hollow-state HF equipment and a newer solid-state transverter.

Hope this helps a bit.

73,

Gary

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 12:00:12 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 08:27:03 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125082027.6491E-1000000@ncrsun7>
From: Kevin Anderson <anderson@ncrsun7.ncr.usace.army.mil>
Subject: Wanted: HW-16 80-meter driver coil

Boatanchor wisdom list:

It's been awhile since I last asked this, and the list has

grown tremendously since then:

My HW-16 is need of a replacement shielded 80-meter driver coil, part no: 40-801.

Would a spare be available? The slug is broken on mine, and was so when I received the unit (I knew that ahead of time).

Thank you. Cheers/73. Kevin, KB9IUA

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or the Federal Government.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 13:14:22 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 10:24:28 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251613.AA03627@ausable.crd.Ge.Com>
From: mallick@ausable.crd.ge.com (John Mallick)
Subject: Re: Wanted: HW-16 80-meter driver coil

Kevin,

I'm looking at a catalog from MicroMetals (they make powdered iron components) and I note that they make threaded cores. The "mix" can be chosen for a particular application, and they give some guidelines. They are good at RF. You might want to call them for a catalog and then ask for a few "engineering samples" to replace the broken core in your HW-16. It's probably worth a try...

Their number is (714)-630-7420 (California)

73, John WA1HNL

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:44:04 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 13:37:34 -0600
Message-Id: <950125193301_71333.144_DHQ85-4@CompuServe.COM>
From: don merz <71333.144@compuserve.com>
Subject: Wanted: Lucky 7's

MORE TUBES WANTED:

7C5 7A4 7A6 7F7 7Q7 7R7

These are locktals. Any and all leads appreciated.

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:06:06 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 12:18:19 -0600
Message-Id: <0j9dJx200ioV0VFEU0@andrew.cmu.edu>
From: Benjamin Cox <thoth+@CMU.EDU>
Subject: ZF17XG@&\$!

As a relative newcomer to boatanchors (having recently purchased my first glow-in-the-dark radio, a Drake 2NT), I'm often confused by model names used by people on the list. From some of the context (and some forsale notices) I can guess what some of the items are, but for others I'm at a loss. (I've seen the Drake list, but for other manufacturers I'm still in the dark.)

I'm looking for a good uncomplicated (and hopefully inexpensive) HF receiver as the other half of my first rig, and don't know what combination of letters and numbers I should look out for besides a select few (R390A, 2B, etc.). Is there a reference somewhere that might tell me what the various letters and numbers mean?

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Ben Cox N9RQV/3 thoth+@cmu.edu

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:39:08 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 13:02:50 -0600
Message-Id: <9501251904.AA10510@wrdis01.robins.af.mil>
From: lakeith@wrdis01.robins.af.mil (Larry Keith)
Subject: Re: ZF17XG@&\$!

In your message of 25 Jan 1995 at 1330 EST, you write:
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Ben, I wish that that there was one.. However, I think that you cam
to the right place. I would suggest that you consider:

Drake model 2A, 2B, or 2C Receivers.

Hammarlund HQ-100, HQ-110, or maybe even a HQ-129X.

OK, I have shown my Drake/Hammarlund bias.. Maybe some other
listmembers will provide some recommendations for a suitable receiver

to add your collection.

73,

Larry Keith, KQ4BY
lakeith@robins.af.mil

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 16:52:09 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 13:44:38 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9501251253.A3724-01000000@thelair.zynet.com>
From: johnb@thelair.zynet.com
Subject: Re: ZF17XG@&\$!

Ben, I would certainly recommend the Moore Book "communications receivers"... THE reference on BA receivers... photos, descriptions and text on most every BA RX known to man. Available thru Electric Radio bookstore, among others...

73 /john wb5oau

John M. Brewer wb5oau
johnb@thelair.zynet.com
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 21:05:07 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 18:37:49 -0600
Message-Id: <0j9iut200ioV0VFGE0@andrew.cmu.edu>
From: Benjamin Cox <thoth+@CMU.EDU>

Subject: Re: ZF17XG@&\$!

Wow... nearly everyone that responded recommended the book "Communications Receivers" by Moore. Definitely on my "to buy" list now.

Thanks!

73,

-- Ben N9RQV/3

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 21:05:42 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 18:28:00 -0600
Message-Id: <199501260026.SAA28736@theporch.theporch.com>
From: "MELUCAS, MARC P." <MELUCAS@wsmc-mis.af.mil>
Subject: RE: ZF17XG@&\$!

For Ben-

I recommend an R-388 as a good receiver, as the performance is good, the freq readout is pretty close, and there aren't too many knobs. Yes, it is simple enough that even a rocket scientist like me can use it :-)

An R-390A is another good selection as they perform well, and give a digital-mechanical freq readout. A bit heavier than an R-388, if you are looking for weight.

Get yourself a copy of Ray Moore's book on communication receivers. It is a great all around reference, and allows you to look up receivers by manufacturer and model number. Sometimes sold at radio/ham stores, but I know for sure that it is available through Barry at Electric Radio (Box 57, Hesperus, CO 81326. Phone 303-247-4935).

Hope this helps, Ben!

Marc, KB0JPQ

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Jan 25 23:45:45 1995
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 1995 20:25:42 -0600
Message-Id: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950125212444.16706G-100000@access1.digex.net>
From: Tony Stalls <rstalls@access.digex.net>
Subject: Re: ZF17XG@&\$!

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You might consider also the Ham Trader Yellow Sheet "Ham Equipment
Buyer's Guide" vol1 and Vol 2. As for the Moore book, be sure to get the
latest (3rd) edition.

73,

Tony
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